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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GORDON, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 37, Wallbrook, E. C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 450 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLIEN & PRINCE, 59, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO.—American-Porta generally.—BRAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & Co., Singapore. C. HENNINGSEN & Co., Malacca.

CHINA.—Macao, Messrs A. A. DE MELO & Co., Siam, CANVILL & Co. Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co. Foochow, HEDGE & Co. Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. and KELLY & WALSH. Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS. (Incorporated 7th & 19th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....£2,500,000. RESERVE FUND.....£800,000.

HEAD OFFICE.—14, Rue Croix de la Vierge, PARIS.

AGENTS AND BRANCHES at: LONDON, BOULBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MADRID, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY.

LONDON BANKERS: THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE UNION BANK OF LONDON. Messrs C. J. HAMBRO & SON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business. F. COCHINARD, Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 8, 1882.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION. (Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 2 1/2 per Annum. " 6 " " 4 " " " 12 " " 6 " " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT, Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND.....2,100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman.—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. Deputy Chairman.—Wm. REYNOLDS, Esq.

H. H. HOPKINS, Esq. M. E. SASSOON, Esq. Hon. F. B. JOHNSON, Esq. C. VICKERS SMITH, Esq.

A. P. McLEWY, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. A. McIVER, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong:.....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER. Shanghai:.....EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits: For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " " 4 " " " 12 " " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China, and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, March 22, 1882.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

THE Undersigned has Admitted Mr. M. L. SALAMON into PARTNERSHIP from this date, and the Business in future will be Conducted under the Style of "HOLMES & SALAMON."

(Signed) GEORGE HOLMES. Queen's Road Central, 1st May, 1882. jcl

NOTICE

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KNOX & Co., of Weymouth, near Bournemouth.

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 18w82

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of the Undersigned in the Firm of Messrs. D. D. OLLIA & Co., of Amoy, Foochow, Takao and Tientsin, has CEASED from the 30th of April, 1882.

E. N. MEHTA, B. S. MEHTA.

WE HAVE THIS DAY commenced BUSINESS as MERCHANTS and COMMISSION AGENTS at Amoy, Foochow and Tientsin, under the Style and Firm of "MEHTA & Co."

E. N. MEHTA, B. S. MEHTA.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. jcl

NOTICE

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. FRANCIS BLACKWELL FORBES in our Firm, CEASED on the 31st December, 1881.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong and China, 20th April, 1882. ny26

NOTICE

WE HAVE BEEN appointed AGENTS for the MITSUBISHI KAISHA, of Tokio, at this Port.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

NOTICE

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. CHARLES KAHN in our Firm CEASED on the 30th April, 1882.

REISS & Co. Hongkong, Shanghai, 1st May, 1882. aul

To Let.

TO LET.

(POSSESSION ON 1st JUNE NEXT.)

THE FIRST FLOOR, West Side, of "MANCHE HOUSE," No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD. Now in the occupation of Messrs WILSON & BIRD.

Apply to E. R. BELLIOS. Hongkong, May 16, 1882.

TO LET—FURNISHED.

PAINT OF BUNGALOW, West Point (next to SPANISH CONSULATE).

For Particulars, apply to J. R. McDONALD, Lane, Crawford & Co.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882. my27

TO LET.

NOS. 4 and 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE. Nos. 2 and 4, PEDDAR'S HILL.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, May 3, 1882.

GODOWNS—TO LET.

PRAYA EAST AND WANCHAI ROAD. For Particulars, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 26, 1882.

TO LET.

(WITH POSSESSION ON THE 1st MAY.)

THE NEW FAMILY RESIDENCE situated next to EXCELSIOR on Robinson Road, replete with every convenience, TENNIS LAWN, STABLES, &c.

Also, 8 FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS of all Sizes—Water-side. Inspection is invited.

Apply to SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON. Hongkong, April 3, 1882.

TO BE LET.

THE FRONT PORTION OF PREMISES formerly occupied by the late E. CHAMBERLAIN & Co., 15, QUEEN'S ROAD. Suitable for either One or Two OFFICES of a Store.

Apply to HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

TO LET.

(WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.)

THE HOUSE known as "PARADES VILLA," ROBINSON ROAD.

For Particulars, apply to G. R. LAMBERT, Peddar's Wharf.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

TO LET.

COMMODOUS OFFICES and CONFECTIONER'S QUARTERS, &c., with or without GODOWNS, in Peddar's Wharf Buildings, at present in the occupation of Messrs HESSE & Co. View of the Harbour. Possession to be had from the 1st May next.

Apply to G. R. LAMBERT. Hongkong, April 6, 1882.

TO LET.

KEEPS on hand for Sale all Kinds of STEAM COAT of the best quality, at moderate rate; also has always Powerful Steam LAUNDRIES for Hire at a reasonable Charge, either for special Purposes, Excursions, or Towing.

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, January 13, 1882. jyl3

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

CLARETS.—From a SOUND WINE at \$3.50, to CHATEAU LAITTE.

SHERRIES.—A PALE DRY WINE at \$8, to Very CHOICE AMONTILLADO.

PORTS.—GOOD WINE at \$8.50, to Old INVALID PORT.

HOOKS.—STILL and SPARKLING.

BURGUNDIES.—BAUNE and CHAMBERTIN.

CHABLIS.

SAUTERNE.

CHAMPAGNES.

MOSELLE.

Hongkong, May 15, 1882. jcl5

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY, the 3rd of June, 1882, at 2 p.m., at the PREMISES of the former Pier & Godown Company, Limited, Wanchai, Praya, (Unless previously disposed of by Private Contract).

THE PLANT of the former HONGKONG PIER & GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, consisting of—

30 OPEN GOODS' TRUCKS. 2 TURN-TABLES, 12 feet diameter, adapted for 3' 6" gauge.

110-TONS WEIGH BRIDGE WHEEL SPAN, of 10 feet and 3' 6" gauge.

3 TRAVELLING 2 Tons STEAM CRANES. About 3,000 Feet of RAILS.

All the above is on the WANCHAI PIER, or in the Godowns of Messrs MEYER & Co. TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

For Particulars, apply to F. RAPP, Auctioneer. Hongkong, May 20, 1882. jcl3

For Sale.

FURNITURE OF NEW DESIGN, EXCELLENT FINISH, SOUND CONSTRUCTION.

And MODERATE PRICE.

Manufactured by HALL & HOLTZ, SHANGHAI.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of the above FURNITURE, of which they will have Consignments from time to time. They will also receive Orders for all Kinds of FURNISHING GOODS, of which they will have a full set of Samples, &c.

Mr. BYRNE, from Messrs Hall & Holtz, returns to Shanghai in a few days, and will be glad to take any further Orders with him.

Hongkong, May 23, 1882.

FOR SALE.

MESSRS W. & J. LOCKETT'S Celebrated BRAND, THIRTEEN'S EXPORT PALE ALE, and FINEST ALE, DUBLIN STOUT in Pints and Quarts. FINE OLD PORT, in Cases of 1 dozen.

Also, SILLERY MOUSSEAU (VIN DE CHAMPAGNE), in Cases 2 dozen Pints and 1 dozen Quarts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

FOR SALE.

A. RAUTERT MAINZ TABLE BOTTLES 4 doz. & Case CHAMPAGNE-BOTTLES. \$10. Apply to SANDER & Co.

Hongkong, March 30, 1882.

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER.

22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS, MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, CORK JACKETS, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. aul

FOR SALE.

195 FATHOMS SECOND-HAND TWO-INCH CABLE, suitable for Mooring. In Lots to suit.

Apply to WILLIAM DOLAN, 22, Praya Central. Hongkong, May 1, 1882. jcl

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Quarts, \$17 per 1 doz. Case. Pints, \$18 per 2 doz. " GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

Intimations.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on all DOCUMENTARY BILLS delivered to the Undersigned Banks, on or after 1st June, 1882, the Rate of Discount, not exceeding five per cent. per annum, which will be allowed to the Drawers or Acceptors, on retiring the Bills before maturity, will be as follows:—

At one half per cent. per annum above the advertised Rate of Interest for short Deposits allowed by the leading London Joint Stock Banks, if the Bills are taken up in Great Britain.

At the Current Minimum Rate of Discount of the National Banks of France, Italy, Belgium and Germany, respectively, if taken up in either of those countries.

At the Current Rate of Rebate for Documentary Bills, if taken up in Switzerland or the United States.

At the Current Rate of Rebate allowed by the Exchange Banks, if taken up at any place east of Suez.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," A. WEMYSS, p. Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," JOHN THURBURN, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," G. E. NOBLE, p. Chief Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," F. COCHINARD, Agent. Hongkong, May 8, 1882.

TAKASIMA COLLIERY.

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT for the SALE of the above COALS at HONGKONG, from and after this date.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Mitsui Bishi Mail S. S. Co. Hongkong, April 26, 1882. oc27

THE "FAIR EAST."

THE ISSUES OF 1878 WANTED. Apply at this Office. Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. S. S. "NIGATA MARU" FROM KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board, will be landed and stored at Consignee's expense and risk.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Agent, Mitsui Bishi Mail S. S. Co. Hongkong, May 22, 1882. ny29

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

BRITISH BARK "COREA" FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 22, 1882.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Goods:—

C. B. 29 Packages MERCHANDISE, Ex Steamer Paladine, from SAIGON, landed and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned on the 14th February last, unless taken delivery of before the 25th Instant, they will be SOLD by Auction, to defray expenses of Storage and Freight.

TUNG KEE & Co., 103, Wing Lok Street. Hongkong, May 13, 1882. ny25

STEAMSHIP "TILLO."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship Indus, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 10 a.m. To-day, the 22nd Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 27th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, May 22, 1882. ny20

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex ORIZ. SHS (in dls.) No. 1076 = 1 case Perfumery, Or, fr. M. Sella. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, May 2, 1882.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SHANGHAI. The Steamship "Hongkong," Captain FAYEN, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 26th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, May 23, 1882. ny25

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA, VIA PONTIANAK.

The Co.'s Steamship "William Mackinnon," Captain P. OUELLE, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 26th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 22, 1882. ny26

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The British Steamer "Circus," Captain G. L. CASTLE, will leave here for the above Port, and will leave this on MONDAY, the 29th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to TAK HING LOONG, Charterer. Hongkong, May 20, 1882. my20

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI. (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for KINPOO, CHEFOO, NEW CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship "Mendocino," Captain LARSEN, will be despatched on or about the 29th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, May 22, 1882. ny29

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship "Hector," Capt. DILLON, will be despatched on or about the 26th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, May 22, 1882.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON). The Steamship "Derwent," Capt. PARKIN, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, May 22, 1882.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. The Steamship "Belgic," Captain ASHDOWN, will be despatched from this for LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL, on FRIDAY, the 26th May, 1882, at Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until Noon on the day previous.

Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until Noon on the day previous.

Silk and Valerine for Europe will be transhipped at Point de Galle, Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Galle.

For further Particulars, regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

A. McIVER, Superintendent. Hongkong, May 12, 1882. ny2

For Sale.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.
HAVE REMOVED
to their
NEW AND EXTENSIVE
PREMISES,
No. 53, Queen's Road East
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSARIAT).

WHERE they have special facilities for
conducting their Town and Harbour
Business, and trust to merit a continuance
of Public Confidence and Support.

A FULL STOCK OF STORES,
WINES, &c.,
ALWAYS ON HAND, INCLUDING:

FRESH YORK HAMS.
CHRISTMAS CAKES.
TEYSSONNEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.

PICNIC TONGUES.
COCOATINA.
VAN HOUTTE'S COCOA.
LIMON'S & CO'S COCOA.
FRENCH PLUMS.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.
MINCEMEAT.
CHOCOLATE-MENIERE.
SAUSAGES.
BROWN.

ISIGNY BUTTER.
DANISH BUTTER.
BREAKFAST TONGUES.
ANCHOVIES.
ASPARAGUS.
SOUPS, &c.

WINES AND SPIRITS.
CHAMPAGNES—
HERDIER'S MONOPOLE & WHITE
SEAL.
YEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN.
JULES MUMM & Co., pints & quarts.
CLARETS—

CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA ROSSE, pints & quarts.
CHATEAU LAFITE, " "
CHATEAU GRAVES, " "
BREAKFAST CLARET, " "

SHERRIES & PORT—
SAUCONNE'S MANZANILLA & AMON-
TILLADO.
SAUCONNE'S OLD INVALID PORT
(Quart).
HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—
1, 2 & 3 star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
BISQUIT DUTOUX & Co.'s BRANDY.
FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KINAHAN'S OLD WHISKY.
ROYAL GLENDE WHISKY.
CHARTREUSE.
MARASCHINO.
CURACAO.
ANGOSTURA.
BARKER'S and ORANGE BITTERS.
&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. DUNNE, pints and quarts.
PILSENER BEER, in quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.
ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.

TOPOCAN BUTTER.
Eastern and Californian CHEESE.
Boneless CODFISH.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
PEACH and APPLE BUTTER.
Pickled OX-TONGUES.
Family PIG-PORK in 5 lb. cans.
Bona Ideal SALMON in 5 lb. cans.
Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 24 lb. cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted PICKLES.
MINCEMEAT.
COMB HONEY in Original Frames.
Richardson & Robins's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.
Richardson & Robins's Curried OYSTERS.
Lunch TONGUE.
McCarthy's Special LEMONADE.
Clara CHOWDER.
Smoked SALMON.
Green TURTLE in 24 lb. cans.
&c., &c., &c.

YACHT & PICNIC SUPPLIES.

**CALIFORNIA
RACKER**
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Alphabetical BIS-
CUITS.
Fancy Sweet Mixed
BISCUITS.
Ginger CAKES.
Soda BISCUITS.
Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
HOMINY.
CORNMEAL.
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.
RYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 and 10 catty boxes.
BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

SEASIDE LIBRARY, 15 to 25 cents.

FRANKLIN SQUARE LIBRARY, 15 to
25 cents.

MILNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF
SAFES, and CASH BOXES, at
Manufacturer's Prices.

FAIRBANKS SCALES.

OAKUM.

TAR.

TURPENTINE.

PAINTS and OILS.

Hongkong, May 15, 1882.

Entertainment.



NOW OPEN EVERY EVENING
AT 8 O'CLOCK.
PERFORMANCE COMMENCING AT 9.
AT EAST POINT, BOWRINGTON,
HONGKONG.

TO-NIGHT, May 24th.

CHIARI'S ROYAL ITALIAN

CIRCUS

PERFORMING ANIMALS!

WILL EXHIBIT UNDER MAMMOTH TENTS,
FOR A SHORT SEASON ONLY!

The Largest Spectacle ever seen
on this Hemisphere, featuring a com-
modious lot of 5,000 People.

THE GRANDEST RING PAGEANT
ON EARTH!

FAMOUS ARTISTS.

Fresh from the leading Circuses
and Hippodromes of Europe and America,
who will introduce all the
Latest and Most Striking Marvels of the
EQUESTRIAN, ACROBATIC, AND
GYMNASTIC ARTS.

MISS NELLIE REID.

ENGLISH'S SHOW-GIRL QUEEN, FROM
HENDERSON'S GRAND CIRCUS, LONDON,
ENGLAND.

MISS EMILY ROLANDE.

The Fearless Rider and Graceful
Pantomimist,
In her Charming Principal Act and
Specialties.

MISS ADA STOODLY.

The Charming Little Fairy Equestrienne.
The Lady with the Iron Jaw, will perform
Prodigious Feats of Mandibular Strength,
Firing off, with her Teeth, a Brass
Cannon weighing 175 lbs., and con-
cluding with her Vampire Flight
across the Immense Circus Pavilion,
suspended only by her
Teeth.

MILIE ZAZO.

The Beautiful and Superb Young Lady
Gymnast and Acrobat.

LAVATER LEE.

From Foreigning's Menagerie Museum
and Circus.—The Daring Somersault
Equestrian, in his unrivalled performance
on a Barre-backed Horse, introducing Pi-
routines, Backward and Forward Soier-
saunts.

MR. FRED WATSON.

Principal Rider and Comic Change Artist.
MASTER CHARLIE WATSON.

In his Champion Hurdle Act, also Tum-
bling and Contortion Acts.

MR. CHARLES STOODLY.

The Famed Barre-back Rider & Voltigeur.
THE PAUST FAMILY.

(5 in number).
First Class Artists.—From the Paris Hip-
podrome.

Also Musical Clowns in Fantastic Vagaries,
introducing the Smallest Violinist in
the World.—MASTER EUGENE.

FRENCH AND ANGLO.

Leading Horizontal Bar and Trapez Per-
formers, Hat Throwers and Knock-about
Clowns from the Folies Bergeres, Paris.

MILIE JEANNE (Only 5 Years of Age),
on the "Flying Rings."

ROSA THU-ZET & PROF. THU-ZET.

The Celebrated French Gymnasts and
Equilibrists, Winners of Prize Medals in
all the Principal Theatres and Circuses
in Europe, in their Sensational Aerial Per-
formances.

THE MOTLEY MERRY-MAKER.

HERB AUGUST LEHMANN.

Recently of Van-Amberg's American
Show, in his Comic and Extravagant Vaga-
ries.

SIGNOR GIUSEPPE CHIARINI.

The King of Horse-Training, will in-
troduce his FEARLESS STUP of TRAINED
Horses, whose UNUSUAL PERFORMANCES
have been the Wonder and Admiration of
the WHOLE WORLD, and have won for their
Owner and Educator, SIGNOR CHIARINI,
numberless Medals and costly Gifts from
Rulers and MEMBERS of the Nobility of
every country in Europe, in token of their
appreciation of his wonderful skills, and
the intelligence and docility of his superb
horses.

PROF. LORENZ JOHNSON.

The fearless Tiger-Tamer, will enter the
Den of

Performing Royal Bengal Tigers!

In the Menagerie Department will
be found

An Educated Zebra from Africa. A South
American Gazelle. A Black Bear from the
Himalaya Mountains. A Black Tiger from
the Jungles of Central India. Two Ele-
phants from Ceylon. Royal Baby Tigers only
a few weeks old. A Kangaroo, the won-
derful Animal of Australia. Various spe-
cies of Monkeys, Apes and Baboons, that
are Educated to Ride the Beautiful Lilli-
putian Shetland Ponies in a Steeple Chase.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Boxes, Six Chairs, \$12.00.

Chairs (Dress Circle), 2.00.

Stalls, Carpeted Seats, 1.00.

Plat., 0.50.

Children under ten and Soldiers under the
rank of Officers, half-price except to Boxes.

A reserved division of the Carpeted and Plat
Seats has been arranged for NATIVE LADIES.
(To which they alone are admitted.)

A Plan of the Seats can be seen at the
Entrance to the

HONGKONG HOTEL

(Mr. Moore's Office),
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Hongkong, May 24, 1882.

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CHAS. H. HASWELL, Jr.,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 10, 1882. my31

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES
MARITIMES.

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STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
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and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
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principal places of Europe.

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Noon of 31st May, 1882.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 31st May, 1882. (Parcels are not to
be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)

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quired.

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Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882. jel

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Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
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any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
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BYGATA, German barque, Captain T. A.
Anderson.—Captain.

CARL GREENHARD, German barque, Capt.
Fr. Suhr.—Edward Schellhass & Co.

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Coates.—Russell & Co.

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Capt. H. R. Powers.—Master.

CORRA, British barque, Captain Philip
Abner.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

HORSTRA, British barque, Captain E. Z.
Bunje.—A. G. Morris.

KILLARNEY, British steamer, Captain
H. O'Neill.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

LIVINGSTONE, German barque, Capt. H.
Steffens.—Siemssen & Co.

SERAPIS, British steamer, Capt. Saml. F.
North.—Siemssen & Co.

ST. LUDOV, French barque, Captain F.
Durand.—Captain.

XENIA, American barque, Captain N. E.
Reynolds.—Captain.

To-day's Advertisements.

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The Steamship
"Douglas,"
Capt. S. Ashurst, will be
despatched as above on
FRIDAY, the 26th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, May 24, 1882. my26

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

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"Nanao,"
Capt. Westroy, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on SUNDAY, the 28th Instant, at
Daylight.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, May 24, 1882. my28

NOTICE.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

THE Annual General MEETING of the
VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB
will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 31st
May, at 6 p.m., at the Bath House.
Hongkong, May 24, 1882. my26

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Kenmore Castle*, BARNETT,
Commander, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, are being landed at their risk into
the Godowns of the Underwriter at
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or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, un-
less notice to the contrary be given before
1 p.m. TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods
remaining after the 31st Instant will be
subject to rent.

No First Licence has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 24, 1882. my31

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 23, *Livingstone*, German barque,
531, H. Steffens, Saigon May 14, Roa-
wood, Paddy, Fish and Rice.—Siemssen &
Co.

May 23, *Memoria*, British steamer, 1247,
W. Ellis, Adelaide April 15, Sydney 23,
Townsville, Cooktown, Thursday Island,
and Port Darwin, 1,200 tons Coal, and 68
tons General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

May 24, *Kenmore Castle*, British steamer,
1296, J. D. Barnett, London March 20,
and Singapore May 16, General.—ADAM-
SON, BELL & Co.

May 24, *Diamante*, British steamer, 514,
R. Cullen, Amoy May 23, General.—
RUSSELL & Co.

May 24, *British*, British steamer, 2142,
Geo. Lee, Bombay May 6, Galle 11, Pe-
nang 16, and Singapore 19, Mails and Gen-
eral.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

May 24, *Criminor*, British steamer,
1123, George L. Castle, Japan May 16,
General.—HOLLIDAY, Wise & Co.

May 24, *Irani*, British barque, 327, W.
A. Pearce, Newchwang May 12, Beas.—
WIEBER & Co.

May 24, *Idole*, French barque, 388,
F. Durand, Newchwang April 29, Beas.—
CARLOWITZ & Co.

May 24, *Oaklands*, British steamer, 710,
Payne, Chinkiang May 19, Rice.—JAN-
NIX, MATHEWSON & Co.

May 24, *Canton*, British steamer, 1096,
J. C. Jacques, Saigon May 20, Rice.—HOCK
CREW.

May 24, *Olympia*, German steamer, 788,
Wagner, Saigon May 20, Rice.—CHINESE.

May 24, *William Mackinnon*, Dutch
steamer, 701, J. Oreille, Amoy May 22,
General.—JANNIX, MATHEWSON & Co.

May 24, *Douglas*, British steamer, 982,
Samuel Ashton, Fochow May 22, and
Amoy 23, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK &
Co.

May 24, *Greyhound*, British steamer, 227,
D. Scott, Swatow May 23, General.—
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

May 24, *Kamchatka*, British
703, P. Husey, Shanghai May 23, Gen-
eral.—C. M. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 24, *Ulenorphy*, for Guam.

May 24, *Aden*, for Swatow.

May 24, *Herman*, for Fuyin.

May 24, *Kail*, for Vunglin.

May 24, *Chop-ang*, Chinese guboot, for
Canton.

May 24, *Killarney*, for Fochow.

May 24, *Thales*, for Coast Ports.

May 24, *Albany*, for Amoy.

May 24, *Graveland*, for Saigon.

May 24, *Oaklands*, for Canton.

May 24, *Diamante*, for Manila.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The sketch of the discussion, on Municipalities, by the Singapore Debating Society, which we reproduced from the Singapore Times in our Monday evening's issue, betrays an amount of non-acquaintance with Eastern Municipalities which is not a little surprising. There is not a single Municipality in all India, including Burma, that is entirely elective and practically independent of Government. The presence of Government Officials, or Representatives of Government, in local boards entrusted with self-government exercises a salutary control over their proceedings. "The independence of local boards," both in theory and practice, based upon the fact that the money which they disburse is raised by themselves in their own localities." This would imply care and circumspection in local administration; but it is not always found to be so. The right for Government to interfere in municipal concerns is derived from concession and grants-in-aid from the general treasury; but the assistance thus rendered is never intended to cripple local administrative bodies. In the principal towns of India from one-third to one-half of the Municipal Commissioners are Government nominees; the privilege of electing the remaining members of the Committee being entrusted to the ratepayers. "The President is invariably a Government official. In the smaller towns, the Committee is invariably composed of a majority of Government officials, who are always ex-officio members, and who have no realisation of the authorities in the town as they are to be carried. Furthermore, the Governor, Lieut. Governor or Chief Commissioner at the head of the Government of the Presidency or Province, may veto or annul any resolution which may run the gamut of a local committee. In the rising city of Rangoon which was incorporated in 1874, the Municipal Council is much interested in the coming election for municipal representatives under the franchise as to number already stated. This is from 20 to 40 years a younger town than Singapore and 10 years under Hongkong; and the difficulty regarding intelligent electors and disinterested representatives does not appear to be so great there as that anticipated from the concession of franchise in either of these places mentioned. The necessary elements, in some degree or other, for self-government exist in every community. Time and circumstances are necessary to create the western ideal of such institutions. In this, as in other things, a beginning must be made; and local representative government would be the natural outcome of growth, from which alone independence can be evolved.

Some time since we noticed the fact of the possibility of Rangoon taking the lead among Eastern cities, in availing itself of the most recent discoveries and appliances of science and civilization—electricity. We then mentioned the fact that the Eastern Electric Light and Power Company undertook to illuminate the streets throughout that city for an annual outlay of \$22,000 or just about equal to the cost of lighting Hongkong. But the representatives of the good folk of Rangoon are now labouring under the impression that they have been rather precipitate in this matter—in jumping at the very first offer, as subsequent proposals show that the benefits of a more improved system of electric lighting combining safety and economy could be obtained more cheaply from other Companies. Within a short period of time, the fact of their first offer to give tender was received undertaking to give more light for twenty per cent. less money; but the trouble does not lie so much in this as in the intention of the accepted Company to put up wires overhead, "which would interfere with the telegraph wires by induction"—in contravention of the regulations of the Government at home that the wires shall be laid underground, "as a measure of safety." But in Rangoon the advantages of electric lighting are not likely to be confined alone to the street roads. A suggestion has been made to light up the various religious buildings and pagodas by electricity. Our readers are aware that Buddhist worship is usually accompanied by a "galaxy of tapers;" and that the consumption of candles on these occasions—particularly on feast days—is something enormous. Trade and other returns give an expenditure of nearly a pound or six worth of candles for every man, woman, and child in the Province; and it is probable, therefore, that the idea will commend itself to the "Buddhists;" and, as works of merit occupy a prominent position in their religious system, there is another ground for the electric lighting favouring with pious Buddhists—the elevated position of the pagodas would enable them to project the benefits of the illumination to surrounding streets.

It has been the custom to say that the rice from Bengal and Burma meets with no competition abroad—in fact, that both these countries had the monopoly of the European market. This statement was at one time true before Saigon and Siam became formidable rivals and Netherlands India joined the competition. But withal, the quantities exported from these three sources into Europe is something insignificant when compared with the countries mentioned. But the duty of from 10 to 12 per cent. of the value imposed on rice by the new Indian Customs Tariff is likely to stifle export, prevent circulation abroad, and choke the country with unexpended stocks. This is a conclusive argument in favor of abolishing the Indian export duty on rice. It would give India a chance of establishing a trade in this article in other markets—such as the Straits and China, which are just now supplied from Siam, Saigon, and Java. It has been estimated that, in 1890, Bangkok and Saigon sent to Singapore, Hongkong, and the Ports of China 320,000 tons of rice, nearly equal to one-fourth the total export of rice from India. The removal of the duty would, it is believed, enable Bengal and Burmah to drive the other Eastern competitors out of the European market and strengthen their hold on the same, with the possibility of successfully competing for, at least, a portion of the trade of China, where Siam and Saigon are so secure by an artificially depressed price. Furthermore, the removal of the Indian duty would enable the rice to be offered at a lower price in the markets of

Europe, and create a corresponding increase in the demand. It is generally believed that cheap Bengal rice is very suitable for brewer's purposes and distillers, and, if once introduced, would soon become a staple, like Indian wheat, which is now ranked on its merits. It is very suitable for the Chinese market; but this is a matter we leave for the consideration of our commercial readers—that is, whether Bengal rice at something less than a cent a pound in Calcutta would be preferable to the Bangkok and Saigon exportations ruling here at 25 per cent. more.

A new demand is springing up in the United States which no part of the world is better able to supply than China. The most recent "fad" in the "head centre" of sensationalism is a form of rusticism, which has developed into a passion, a consummate yearning, to have every particle of furniture, as far as possible, made of bamboo. There are regular shipments of prepared bamboos suitable for the purpose made from Calcutta to New York and Boston; and there is no reason why this aesthetic taste should not be turned to profitable account by China—the land *par excellence* of the bamboo. A still better trade might be opened in the export of manufactured bamboo articles, such, for instance, as the Ningpo furniture, for the bamboo is in the country, inlaid with figures in bamboo. The *modus operandi* of preparing the bamboo for export is Bengal may be briefly described as likely to prove useful here. The stems are merely smoothed or trimmed by the cutters, who bring them into Calcutta. The skin must be as perfect as possible, and worn-out sticks are rejected. After selection, the stems are cleaned and then covered with a mixture of turpentine and coconut oil to preserve them from the action of dampness or air or salt water. They are then tied in bundles of fifty, and are ready for export. The hour of the day or night, season of the year, and particularly the age of the bamboo, are important considerations in bamboo cutters throughout the East, and said to be important factors in regulating the quality of the bamboo as regards the use to which it is intended to be applied.

REUTERS TELEGRAMS.

[Supplied to the "China Mail."] (Per E. E. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

RACING.

LONDON, May 23.—The latest betting on the Derby is:—
Price: 24 to 1.
Shiraz: 5 to 1.
Duchess: 6 to 1.
Duchess: 8 to 1.
Pursebearer: 15 to 1.

THE CRISIS IN EGYPT.

LONDON, May 23.—A peaceful solution is expected of the difficulties in Egypt.

SAFETY OF THE SUZ CANAL.

LONDON, May 23.—The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question, said that the safety of the Suez Canal would be early taken under the consideration of Government.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s *Gladie*, with the next American mail, may be expected on or about the 1st of June.

The P. M. steamer *Uly of Peking* may be looked for here about the 14th June.

The delivery of the English mail was begun at 10.50 a.m.

The S. S. *Gladie*, with mails &c., from San Francisco to the 2nd inst., has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port tomorrow (25th).

It will be seen by advertisement that the annual meeting of the V. R. C. is called for Wednesday evening, the 31st inst., at the Bath House.

The P. & O. Company's steamer *Verona*, which conveys the first homeward mail from home, having lost one of the blades of her propeller, was docked to-day, in order to have it replaced. Her departure is therefore delayed until Friday afternoon, the mail closing at the same hour as the French mail, i.e., 11.30 a.m.

We have to acknowledge receipt of a well printed volume entitled "The Truth about Opium; being the substance of Three Lectures delivered at St. James' Hall on the 9th, 16th, and 23rd February last: By William H. Brereton, late of Hongkong, Solicitor." As soon as practicable, we shall have a few words to say upon the position taken up by Mr. Brereton in his new role of public lecturer and author.

Tap Amateur Concert in aid of a local charity, which has been fixed for to-morrow week (1st June), will take place in the City Hall Theatre. From the programme, which has been issued, we judge that a pleasant evening will be spent by those who attend; and it may be noted that the ladies and gentlemen who have organised this entertainment in the cause of charity deserve the warmest thanks of the community. "Hands all Round" will be sung; and the concert will conclude with "God save the Queen." The following is the programme:—

Part I.
OVERSUNG: *Italiane in Algeria* (Rossini)
Soprano and Contralto: *Old Glenelg*
Glee: *Sweet and Low*
Soprano: *Scotch Medley* (Cavallini)
Piano: *When Evening's Twilight*
Soprano: *A Warrior's Bold*
Part II.
SELECTION: *Il Fante Magico* (Mozart)
NATIONAL SONGS & CHORUS: *Hands all round*
Soprano: *Slow in the Eastern Sky*
Soprano: *Les Ouches de Cornetille*
Soprano and Chorus: *God save the Queen*

ONLY a few trivial cases were heard at the Police Court this morning by Capt. Thomson, the sitting Magistrate. Cannon, the blacksmith who was convicted of making a false report of the loss of the ship *Bolton Abbey* in the latter part of last year, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour for being drunk and incapable in Hollywood Road yesterday evening; and Wong Akum, who had six previous convictions recorded against him, was sentenced to a like period of imprisonment for being in the unlawful possession of a bamboo hat.

QUEEN Victoria's 63rd birthday has been celebrated in Hongkong to-day, by all loyal and true-hearted British residents, and when the late dastardly attempt on the life of Her Majesty has been remembered, the feeling of loyalty has been all the stronger. The Government Offices, Courts, and Banks have been closed, and many of the public establishments have observed to-day as a general holiday. In the morning, the annual trooping of the colours took place on the Parade Ground, and, although the weather was rather dull and uncomfortable, a goodly number of spectators witnessed the ceremony. The Buffs and the Artillery, Colonel Parnell commanding, mustered in line on the Parade Ground about six o'clock, and among other evolutions, formed in review order, fired a *feu de joie*, gave the Royal salute and marched past in companies. This is the first occasion, we believe, on which the Artillery have taken part in the firing of a *feu de joie*. At twelve o'clock the Shore Battery fired a Royal salute of 21 guns; salutes also being fired from the *Victor Emmanuel* and the various English men-of-war in harbour. Bunting was extensively displayed by the British men-of-war and merchant shipping in harbour, and the Royal Arms were flown at Government House, Head Quarter House, and on board the *Victor Emmanuel*. Tonight an "At Home" will be given at Government House by His Excellency the Administrator and Mrs. Marsh.

The weather was more favourably disposed towards Signor Chiniari last evening than the two previous nights. The performance did not disappoint public expectation, the well-established reputation of the Royal Italian Circus being fully sustained in a varied and attractive programme. The combination embraces many highly-trained and finished artists in their respective lines, some of whom are conspicuous for unique specialties. The earlier items of the Bill were a repetition of those gone through on Saturday night. We were impressed with the *Thun-zets*' feats on the suspended bar, which displayed a fine conception of the laws of the centre of gravity. The *Faust* family, in both parts of the programme, contributed largely to the amusement of the audience. Their musical varieties put the house in thorough good humour, while their acrobatic acts showed an amount of suppleness and elasticity not a little surprising in the human frame. The little mite (Eugene) was an especial favourite. The trained horses exhibited some intricate and graceful evolutions. The mandolin 'exploit' was, certainly, extraordinary. The power exerted in both raising and sustaining, was, under the circumstances, marvellous. Where all were good, some one must excel, and the palm was awarded by the applause of the audience to Master Charles Watson's equestrian accomplishments, which would be difficult to surpass. The entertainment throughout was evidently appreciated by the audience, which was the largest we have seen at any performance in Hongkong. A special performance at 4 p.m., in addition to that to be given to-night, was given this afternoon.

NEWS BY ENGLISH MAIL.

TELEGRAMS.

We take the following telegrams from the Singapore Times:—

LONDON, May 7.—Seven telegrams have been received at Calcutta:—The police have arrested a man, wounded severely.

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gman says that Mr. Forster has been reinstated as Chief Secretary for Ireland. The assassins are probably American.

The following telegrams are from the latest Sydney papers:—

LONDON, April 24.—In the House of Commons to-night, Mr. Gladstone delivered his Budget speech. He stated that the revenue had increased but slightly. The revenue from alcoholic liquors was decreasing, but that was gratifying and a healthy sign that workmen's savings were increasing. The surplus from 1881 amounted to £265,000. The estimated expenditure for the current year was £284,000,000, and the estimated revenue was £285,000,000. £205,000 would be applied towards relieving the burden of local taxation. A sum of £20,000 would be required for the Government of Cyprus, and £289,000 as extra-pay for the forces in Ireland. The increase of the Budget speech was £20,000, which was a quarter of a million, which was to be applied to the reduction of local highway rates.

April 25.—Recent advices from Rome state that the health of the Pope is anything but good, and that his condition gives rise to some anxiety.

April 27.—The trial of the Ring Theatre disaster has been commenced at Vienna. Eight persons, including the Mayor, are arraigned for failing to enforce proper precautions for the safety of the audience.

April 28.—The death is announced of Ralph Waldo Emerson, the well-known American poet and author.

Lansdown, who will be executed to-day for the murder of his brother-in-law at Wimbledon, has confessed his crime.

The following telegrams are taken from our Indian files:—

SIMLA, April 25.—Major Baring has been pronounced convalescent, and daily bulletins have been discontinued.

April 27.—Major Baring continues improving rapidly.

Bombay, May 1.—A cholera epidemic has broken out in Mysore, the average of deaths being fifty per cent. of the seizures. Trains are stopped at Malgud, and examined before being allowed to proceed with passengers into Bangalore.

May 2.—The British Consul at Alexandria, with three attendants and a British officer, had an interview with the Foreign Secretary at his residence this morning.

The Embassy pays a formal visit to the Viceroy to-morrow. His powers are much greater than have been represented by some newspapers. The Marquis Government is generally desirous of being on friendly terms with the British Government. The Embassy, in fact, may be regarded as plenipotentiaries.

May 3.—The British Embassy, this afternoon, had their first interview with the Viceroy. They were received under a salute of fifteen guns. The interview was perfectly formal; but negotiations begin immediately.

(London and China Express, April 24.)

The *Honan*, the new steamer built by Messrs. A. & J. Inglis, for the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamship Company, will probably leave this country about the middle of next month to proceed to China.

We regret to record the death of Captain Tribe, formerly well known in China, and for some years Consul-General of the Mercantile Marine.

Latest Mail Advice.—Yokohama to San Francisco March 9, Shanghai 8, Funchow 9, Hongkong 13. The French mail, with the advices dated as above, from China and the Straits Settlements, was delivered, and Naples on the 17th inst., its destination.

The Japanese steamer *Shikoku Maru* arrived from Japan on the 18th inst. The next inward (P. & O.) mail, steamer *Bangalore*, from Shanghai March 16, was despatched from Alexandria on the 19th inst., one-day early.

As we anticipated, now that the proposal of the amalgamation of the two Eastern banks has caused the falling of the grounds for the two of the children at the meetings of the Eastern banks held this week mentioned the matter, but only to say that they had seen nothing except what had appeared in the Press, and that in the event of such a scheme being proposed they would advise the shareholders to reject any such scheme. The fact that difficulties would speedily arise were there to be any sort of monopoly would have the effect of immediately creating one or two, if not more, opposition banks. Besides, no set of directors would be able to adequately undertake the work that would be put on them, and as one chairman observed, the business would be a very unwholesome one.

The three meetings who rose to support such a scheme shows, we think, pretty accurately that we were correct in our surmise, that the movement was not entertained by many.

The Guin Line steamer *Alaska* has beaten her recent Atlantic passage by upwards of two hours. She left Queenstown on the 9th inst. at 11 o'clock, and reached New York at 11 o'clock on the 10th inst., New York time. This gives, allowing for the difference of time, 7 days, 4 hours, and 24 minutes for the voyage, real time. The *Arizona's* fastest passage was 7 days, 7 hours, and 35 minutes, and the *Severn's* fastest 7 days, 8 hours, and 13 minutes.

It is stated that concurrently with the development of the Russian military power in the Amoor region an addition will be made to the regular naval force located in and about Vladivostok. This has hitherto consisted of three steam and three sailing vessels, one-half being usually ashore and the other half ashore. The number afloat will be increased to 1,750, by the despatch of extra seamen from Cronstadt; and, later on in the season, five hundred men will be added to the force ashore. These 3,250 seamen will belong to what is known as the "Siberian Division," and will be altogether absent from the Pacific Fleet.

The *Irishman*, a Dublin organ of which Mr. Parnell, M.P., is part proprietor, contains in its issue of 15th inst., under the title of "Spring Leaflets" the following note in reference to Sir John Pope Hennessy:—"Sir John Pope Hennessy is at home, or, at any rate, he is not in the house, but he is in the city in the most brilliant advocate of Polish rights for two reasons:—The first—that he has been uniformly kind to Irishmen whom the fates cast into the colonial settlements he administered, and the next that he invariably made friends among the natives and enemies among the English traders and planters at Lyman, on the Gold Coast, in the West Indies, and more lately at Hongkong. He must have got in him a strong love of fair-play. But, then, he would be far more usefully employed cock-shying stones at his official robes than coquetting with a constituency in Ireland—unless he adopts certain principles, and these he cannot adopt."

At the annual general meeting of the Oriental Telephone Company (Limited) Mr. Pender, M.P., who presided, in moving the adoption of the report, observed that

he could confirm all that he had stated at the meeting a few months ago as to the progress of the company, and that he had to be satisfied that all the difficulties had been overcome, and the system there had been started. They were now at work at Calcutta, Bombay, Alexandria, Cairo, Madras, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Honolulu.

The arrivals from the Far East (says the *Hongkong correspondent*) have been only three steamers, the *Headley* by Splendid, Rangoon, all three with rice. The departures have been the *Bonito*, Wessborough, for Hongkong; *Hanover*, Brookwood, for Java; and *Lydia*, S. S. Paulsen, for her usual route to Shanghai, via Singapore and Hongkong. The berth is occupied at present by the *Cardine*, *Edin*, Hienhouner, Hongkong; *Theresa*, Hansen, and *G. H. Wappene*, Boyson, both for Shanghai; and *Dido*, Crantz, for Manila; *Electra*, S. S., and *Hesperia*, S. S., both for their usual route, the former being advertised for the 26th of May, the latter for the 28th.

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The next steamer will be the *Fingo*, Capt. Jessel, a new boat, which only a few days ago made its trial trip to the full satisfaction of all interested in it. The steamers of this line will, of course, call at Singapore and Hongkong, and it is beyond question that sailing vessel traffic to Amoor River now has been done away with for ever.

THE ANTI-CHINESE BILL.
(Washington, April 13.)—The following is a synopsis of the provisions of the new Chinese bill, as agreed to by the House Committee of Education and Labor, Section 1. "That from and after the expiration of sixty days next after the passage of this Act, and until the expiration of ten years next after the passage of this Act, the coming of Chinese laborers to the United States be and the same is hereby suspended."

Section 2. "That shipmasters bringing Chinese laborers in violation of the law shall be liable to imprisonment of one year and \$500 fine for each laborer so brought."

Section 3. "The foregoing act shall not apply to Chinese laborers who were in the country on the 17th of November, 1890, or possess of the bill, provided the same shall produce to the master of the vessel in which they come and to the Collector of the port at which they shall land the evidence hereinafter required of their belonging to the exempted classes mentioned. Nor shall the law include in its operations the district nearest adjoining the country to which the laborers if the vessel shall be temporarily driven in by stress of weather."

Section 4. "When any of the Chinese laborers now in this country, or who may come within sixty days, shall depart from the United States, the Collector of the port from which they shall depart shall be bound to make a registry of the names, ages and means of identification (such as physical marks) of such persons, and upon application he shall give to each of those persons a duly authenticated copy of the registry in his particular case. When the receipt of such copy shall return to the United States he shall return to the Collector of the port such copy or certificate, and it shall be cancelled."

Section 5. "Any Chinese laborer entitled so to do who wishes to leave the United States by land, may receive a certificate such as is described in the foregoing section, upon application to the Collector of Customs of the district nearest adjoining the country to which he wishes to go."

Section 6. "Any Chinaman of the classes permitted by the treaty to enter the United States, must obtain from the Chinese Government a written certificate, showing that he is entitled to admission, and such certificate must describe the name to whom it is issued in such manner as to permit of its identification."

Section 7. "Any person altering or forging a name upon such a certificate shall be liable to a fine of \$1,000 and imprisonment for five years."

Section 8. "The master of a vessel bringing Chinese passengers to the United States shall present to the Collector of Customs a sworn statement giving a list of such passengers and the reasons for which they are entitled to admission."

Section 9. "Before any such passengers are landed they shall be examined by the Collector and compared with the list for proper identification."

Section 10. "Every vessel whose master shall knowingly violate this law shall be forfeited."

Section 11. "Any person who shall cause, or abet, the bringing into the United States of any of the interdiction classes shall be liable to fine and imprisonment, the latter not over one year."

Section 12. "No State or United States Court shall naturalize Chinese."

Section 13. "The words 'Chinese laborers' shall be construed to mean both skilled and unskilled laborers and Chinese employed in mining."

The Chicago Tribune proposes to ship the Chinese coolies East; thus:—

Chicago, April 13.—The Chicago Tribune has a long editorial, seriously proposing the transfer of the Chinese from California to the Eastern States, where, according to their Representatives in Congress, they are hanging for a Mongolian invasion. The editorial concludes by saying that the experiment ought to be made at once.

The experiment ought to be made at once. The State would be glad to try its next appropriation bill \$300,000 for the transportation of Chinese laborers, skilled and unskilled, to New York and Boston.

THE ALLEGED VOGEL FRAUDS.

The Boston papers give some fuller explanations of the frauds discovered there in shipments from Hongkong.

The ship *Richard Robinson*, Capt. Smith, arrived here April 3 from Hongkong with a large cargo. Among other items, according to the manifest, were 1,000 bales of merchandise consigned to the Bank of Montreal, 5,680 to Baring Brothers, 1,260 to Brown Brothers & Co., and 6,920 to order. These bales were supposed to contain hemp, and were valued at about \$30 per bale. When the goods were landed and examined it was discovered that only about 2,500 bales really contained hemp, the rest containing nothing but inferior quality, valued at about \$5 per bale. The vessel was consigned to Snow & Burgess, her owners. Mr. Snow said yesterday: "All we know about the matter is that these goods were shipped in Hongkong by Vogel & Co., and all the bales were marked alike. They were supposed to be hemp, but were simply shipped as merchandise. The vessel was chartered by C. Vogel, the agent of the firm in this city. The shipping of these goods by presenting the bill of lading signed by our officers to the agents of the banking houses in Hongkong of the firms to whose order these goods are consigned, can receive their money. Mr. Vogel was here this morning, but had no explanation to offer, and the question now is, who is responsible for the loss?"

A number of merchants in this city and Boston will lose heavily by the swindle. The total loss cannot be stated until all the bales have been examined, but it is roughly estimated at from \$150,000 to \$200,000.

The Boston Journal, after referring to the swindle involved in the double letter of credit dodge (quoted in last evening's issue), continues to follow the commercial history of Vogel & Co. thus:—

The next victims were European silk merchants. The English and French silk trade with China is large and the field for Vogel & Co. was quite extensive. They received in all, during the first two months of the present year, orders for about 16,000 bales of first grade silk. Payment was received before shipment in all cases, the value of the goods being \$300 per bale. Within a short time the goods reached their destination in England. The losses were found to be much greater than those of fourth grade silk, filled with shavings valued at about \$10 per case. The estimated loss to English and French merchants by this fraud amounts to \$4,000,000. There is said to have been trouble also over a large consignment of emporium which Vogel Brothers sent to a New York house and which resulted in quite a serious loss to the importers. In the case of the cargo of hemp received on the *Richard Robinson*, and in which the firm of Cyrus Wakefield & Co. is one of those principally interested, the question of placing the loss is an open one between importer and exporter. If the hemp, and the letter was called on the delivery of the matting, it is claimed that the bankers are responsible for making a wrong payment.

RECENT COMMERCIAL FRAUDS.
(L. & C. Express.)

The mercantile community just now is greatly exercised by the extraordinary frauds which have recently been perpetrated in connection not only with the China trade, but also with the New York and States of America. Modern civilization has certainly developed a cunning which would disgrace the greatest barbarians of history, and for which there is no excuse whatever. The honour of the mercantile world renders it absolutely necessary that some steps be taken at once to bring punishment on those who violate the integrity which is so great a feature of our commerce, have so lowered themselves as to be guilty of the mean and contemptible frauds we have alluded to. First of all, this country was startled by a discovery that said, brick dust, and stones formed the inner contents of a number of bales of cotton shipped from America, then came the condemnation of a batch of spurious tea, and now we have the performances of Messrs. Vogel and Co., who substituted inferior matting for hemp in a cargo sent to New York, against which they had drawn bills amounting to over \$500,000. What has become of other Chinese Vogs? The money is at present unknown. All these examples of fraud and unfair dealing coming at once must cause more or less a feeling of distrust most detrimental to commercial relations, and cannot fail to cause a great amount of anxiety. There are, of course, black sheep in every flock, and one ought not perhaps to be very much surprised when every now and then a disgruntled proceeding is brought to light. But on the other hand, it is impossible not to feel ashamed that with all Europe's boasted civilization there are still to be found men who, not only contrive such frauds, but who are also able to induce others to assist in carrying them out. In such cases as those of the cotton and hemp there must have been a great number of persons concerned, and the most surprising thing is that the substitution of rubbish for the genuine article did not leak out in some way or another, especially when the proceedings were on so large a scale. The same may be said of the spurious tea, for the method adopted to evade the Customs clearly proved that it was no accident, but

INSURANCES.

THE CITY OF LONDON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CAPITAL, £2,000,000. PAID-UP, £200,000.
PAID-UP RESERVE FUND, £50,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant INSURANCES as follows:—
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

NOTICE.
QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Goods at 10 per cent. net premium per annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

THE SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

CAPITAL £1,000,000 (One Million Sterling).
Unlimited Liability of Shareholders.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual Discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £100,000.
Reserve Fund upwards of £120,000.
Annual Income £250,000.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant INSURANCES at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings and Goods stored therein, on Goods on Board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1805.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, they are prepared to issue POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE on the usual Terms.

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, January 1882.

THE TOKIO MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE MITSUBISHI MARINE INSURANCE CO. has been appointed Agents for the above Company. The Undersigned are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates and usual Discounts.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent, M. E. M. S. S. Co.
Hongkong, April 26, 1882.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) ... £420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE FUND ... £230,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND ... £230,553.83

TOTAL CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATIONS, 6th April, 1882 ... £940,553.83

Directors.
H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
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Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

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Messrs BARRING BROTHERS & Co., Bankers.

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Policies granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

Subject to a Charge of 12 1/2 per cent. on Shareholders' Capital, all the Profits of the Undersigned Business are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business (whether Shareholders or not) in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 8, 1882.

VISITORS' COLUMN.

We have instituted as an experiment a VISITORS' COLUMN, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with which we have opened a SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North-of Public Gardens.

City Hall, Library (8,000 volumes) and Museum, Free.

Public Gardens, a beautifully picturesque retreat and of great interest.

The Clock Tower, Queen's Road Central, in a line with Pedder's Wharf.

General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a stone's throw.

Lustiano Club and Library, Shelley St.

Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.

St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street.

Union Church, Elgin Street.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church, West Point.

St. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden Road, near Kennedy Road.

Temperance Hall, specially adapted for sea-faring men, Queen's Road East.

Sailors' Home, West Point.

E. E. A. and China Telegraph Co., and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Marine House, Queen's Road.

Mason's Hall, Zealand Street.

Victoria Recreation Club—Bath-house and Boat-house, &c.—Praya, beyond the Cricket Ground, beside the City Hall.

The Barracks and Naval and Military Store Departments lie to the eastward, and cover a large area.

Stores, Books, &c.

American and English Stores, Books, and specially selected Cigars—MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Chair and Boat Hire.

LEGALISED TARIFF OF FARES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats.
Half hour, ... 10 cts.
Hour, ... 20 cts.
Three hours, ... 50 cts.
Six hours, ... 70 cts.
Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

TO VICTORIA PEAK.

Single Trip.
Four Coolies, ... \$1.00
Three Coolies, ... 0.85
Two Coolies, ... 0.70

Return (direct or by Pok-fo-tum).
Four Coolies, ... \$1.50
Three Coolies, ... 1.20
Two Coolies, ... 1.00

TO VICTORIA GAP (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA SEAT).
Single Trip.
Four Coolies, ... \$0.60
Three Coolies, ... 0.50
Two Coolies, ... 0.40

Return (direct or by Pok-fo-tum).
Four Coolies, ... \$1.00
Three Coolies, ... 0.85
Two Coolies, ... 0.70

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cents.

Day Trip (Peak) ... \$0.75 each Coolie.
(12 hours) Gap ... \$0.60 each Coolie.

Licensed Bearers (each).

Hour, ... 10 cents.
Half day, ... 35 cents.
Day, ... 50 cents.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE.

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Day, ... \$3.00

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Load, ... 2.00

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Day, ... 2.50

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Load, ... 1.75

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 300 piculs, per Day, ... 1.50

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 300 piculs, per Load, ... 1.00

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 300 piculs, Half Day, ... 50

Sampan.

or Pullaway Boats, per Day, ... \$1.00

One Hour, ... 20

Half-an-hour, ... 10

After 6 P.M. ... 10 cents extra.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private agreements.

STREET COOLIES.

Scale of Hire for Street Coolies.
One Day, ... 30 cents.
Half Day, ... 20

Three Hours, ... 12

One Hour, ... 5

Half Hour, ... 3

Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. May 24, 1882.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Reserve.	Working Account.	Last Dividend.	Closing Quotations.	Cash.
BANKS.								
HK. and Shanghai Bank	40,000	125	125	2,100,000	63,639.45	40	117 1/2	\$27 1/2
INSURANCES.								
Nth. China Ins.	1,000	2,000	2,000	252,600	1,063,738.00	75	121 1/2	\$122 1/2
Yangtze Ins.	1,200	2,400	2,400	500,488	1,844,466	15	87 1/2	\$87 1/2
Union Ins. Soc.	500	2,500	500	417,218	437,088.58	152.00	150	\$150
China Traders Insurance	400	1,600	400	475,000	91,928.49	20	112 1/2	\$112 1/2
C'yon Ins. Office	10,000	250	50					
Chinese Ins. Co.	1,500	1,500	200	100,378	677.42	6	250	\$250
HK. Fire Ins.	2,000	1,000	200	823,842	263,403.72	87 1/2	87 1/2	\$87 1/2
China Fire Ins.	4,000	500	100	493,632	144,535.91	18 1/2	82 1/2	\$82 1/2
STEAM COMPANIES.								
HK. C. and M. Steamboat	8,000	100	75	135,000	18,968.06	5	100	\$100
MISCELLANEOUS.								
HK. & Wh'gon Dock	10,000	125	125	147,663 3/4	3,180.53	4	100	\$100
China Gas Co.	5,000	10	10	7,480				
H'kong Hotel	2,000	100	100					
China Sugar Co.	6,000	100	100					
H'kong Ice Co.	1,250	100	100					
H'kong Bakery	600	50	50					
Luzon Sugar Co.	7,000	100	100					
LOANS.								
Chi. Imp., 1874	6,276 1/2	100	all			June 30 Dec 31		
" 1877	16,000	100	all			Feb 28 Ag. 31		
" 1878	3,800	100	all			April & Oct.		
" 1881	8,500	100	all			Jan 1 & Dec 10		
Sugar Debentures, 1880	600	500	all			June & Dec.		

* For half-year ended 31st Dec., 1881. — Report issued in October, above 1st interim Bonus and Dividend for 1881.—2 To 30th April, 1881.—3 For year 1881.—4 For year 1880.

EDWARD GEORGE, Share Broker.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised January 1st, 1882.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Packages, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Price Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied receipts, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article must accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Packages for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, all foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritania, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chili, Venezuela, Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, Hawaii, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—
Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.
Post Cards, 3 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books, Packages and 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Packages, 2; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Packages, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Packages, 5.

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Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Packages, 2; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Packages, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Packages, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates.
Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.
Post Cards, 3 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.